

HOUSE BILL NO. 435

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING THAT A LEGISLATOR MAY NOT ACCEPT A FEE  
OR CERTAIN OTHER COMPENSATION FOR SPEAKING TO A MONTANA STATE AGENCY OR LOCAL  
GOVERNMENT POLITICAL SUBDIVISION; AMENDING SECTION 2-2-111, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN  
IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

**Section 1.** Section 2-2-111, MCA, is amended to read:

**"2-2-111. Rules of conduct for legislators.** Proof of commission of any act enumerated in this section  
is proof that the legislator committing the act has breached the legislator's public duty. A legislator may not:

(1) accept a fee, contingent fee, or any other compensation, except the official compensation provided  
by statute, for promoting or opposing the passage of legislation;

(2) seek other employment for the legislator or solicit a contract for the legislator's services by the use  
of the office; or

~~(3) accept a fee for speaking to~~ OR OTHER COMPENSATION, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED FOR IN 5-2-302, FROM a  
MONTANA state agency or local government A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA FOR SPEAKING TO  
THE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION."

NEW SECTION. **Section 2. Effective date.** [This act] is effective on passage and approval.

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